(c) if so, when the recommendations was made and the reasons for not taking any action thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) The Law Commission *vide* its 166th Report, submitted on 5th February, 1999, recommended enacting a legislation titled "The Corrupt Public Servants (Forfeiture of Property) Act, 1999" for forfeiture of ill-gotten properties. The Report has been examined and it has been felt by the legal experts and the Department of Legal Affairs, that enactment of a separate legislation for confiscating the illegally acquired assets of public servants may not be the solution of the problem. It would be more appropriate to strengthen the anti-corruption law by plugging the loopholes as well as by amending the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 suitably to make it more deterrent to achieve the objective. The matter has been taken up with the Department of Legal Affairs.

Delhi High Court's Stricture on Working of C.V.C.

2075. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi High Court has passed serious strictures on working of the Central Vigilance Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government to improve working of the Central Vigilance Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), the Ld. Single Judge of the Delhi High Court in his judgement dated 28.07.1999 in CWP No. 3376 of 1998, while quashing the chargesheet served on a former CMD of a Public Sector

Undertakings under the control of the Department of Heavy Industries, has made some adverse comments. The CVC was, however, not made a respondent in that case. Both the Department of Heavy Industries and CVC have appealed against the said judgement, which has been admitted by the Division Bench of the Delhi High Court and the matter is subjudice. In another connected CWP No. 4749 of 1997 filed by the aforesaid former CMD of the Public Sector Undertaking, in which the CVC was made a respondent, the Delhi High Court, in its judgement dated 5.3.2001 had made certain observations about the CVC's decision denying vigilance clearance to the officer. In this case also, both the CVC as well as the Ministry of Civil Aviation have filed appeals which have been admitted by the Division Bench of the Delhi High Court and the matter is subjudice.

Appointment Procedure in the Human Resource Research Institute, New Delhi

†2076. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are rules and conditions for appointment in the Human Resource Research Institute (Planning Commission), I.P. Estate, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the rules and conditions laid down for direct recruitment and for promotions; and

(c) if not, the details of rules and conditions under which appointments have been made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) and (b) There is no institute in the name of Human Resource Research Institute under Planning Commission. However, there is one institute by the name of Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR) under the administrative control of the Planning Commission. The terms and conditions for appointments in the IAMR are governed by the Service by-laws of the Institute. The details of rules and terms laid

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.